

TO CULTIVATE COFFEE.

THE ALOHA COMPANY HAS 300 ACRES ON HAWAII.

What a Director Says—Plenty of Money and Flattering Prospects Ahead.

Messrs. A. Theo. Gruetter and I. Witkowski left for Hilo by the Claudine Tuesday afternoon. Both of the gentlemen arrived from the States by the Australia last Saturday. Mr. Gruetter has been for many years in business at Lincoln, Nebraska. He has a six-story business house with seventy-five feet front, and the amount of his sales foot up into the hundreds of thousands in a year. In Nebraska, in Kansas and contiguous counties of other States his stock of furnishings and hardware are distributed.

Mr. Witkowski, on the other hand, is a lumber dealer of Chicago, Illinois. For many years he was manager for several large Michigan firms in the lake metropolis and out of the business became wealthy. Now he is "amateur" of all he surveys, "owning the establishment which once claimed his attention as a laborer."

But what most interesting about these two gentlemen is that they have come to Hawaii for the purpose of investing large sums of money in the development of the rich industries and resources of the country. They are going into the coffee business.

The fame of Kona coffee is not confined to Hawaii nor yet San Francisco, but away up in the central States they have heard of it, know its unexcelled qualities and the profits to be derived from its cultivation. Messrs. Gruetter and Witkowski can talk Kona coffee almost as glibly as Mr. Joseph Marsden, though they have been in this country but four days and were never here before; and they are a long way from home.

Perhaps Mr. Peck of Honolulu may be thanked for disseminating a large part of this information. The gentlemen themselves seem grateful to Mr. Peck for his tuition in this line, and admit that "was he who first interested them in Kona coffee. Nor did Mr. Peck cease there. In Chicago are Messrs. Tonk and Hurlbert, two wealthy business men, whose eyes are as much this way as those of the two gentlemen now here, and these were so influenced by the same person.

As the fruits of Mr. Peck's work a party of gentlemen met in Chicago last summer and organized the Aloha Coffee Company. The directors appointed at that time were Messrs. Tonk, Hurlbert, Gruetter, Witkowski and Peck.

The newspapers published accounts of the formation of this company, but they made one mistake. They said it was capitalized at \$500,000. There is no "watered" stock in the Aloha Company; it is all paid up, and the sum total is precisely \$180,000. This will, of course, be increased from time to time as expenses begin to pile up.

Mr. Gruetter was seen at the Hawaiian Hotel Tuesday afternoon and spoke very freely on the subject of his mission to Hawaii. In answer to questions bearing upon the following topics Mr. Gruetter said:

"Our company was organized for the purpose of cultivating coffee in Hawaii. The promoters of the enterprise are all business men with extensive interests in various States. My headquarters are at Lincoln, though my business frequently takes me to Chicago, where a majority of the stockholders of the coffee company reside. Every member of our company is making money, and we have no complaint to make of the prospects at home; but from what we have ascertained of the outlook for coffee in Hawaii, we think we are entering something as good or better than can be found in the States.

"We have a partial agreement for about 3000 acres of land near Hilo on Hawaii. Doubtless all of it will be required, as we are going into the business on a large scale; but more can be said on that line after we have visited the property. Mr. Peck is the only member of the firm who has really seen the property, and, as his judgment has been in a great measure relied upon we may be safe in claiming 3000 as our starter.

"The first thing to be done is the erection of a house for our manager, the work on which will begin without delay. Next, we will proceed to clear and prepare 800 acres of land for coffee, and 100 acres for sansevier, the latter being a product in which we have recently become much interested.

"This will be about as much as we can undertake the first year. I am going more particularly to see Mr. Rycroft, in Puna, who has a young coffee plantation, now about three years old. I believe, from him I hope to gather many points of valuable information.

"I will return to the United States by the Alameda October 18th. Mr. Witkowski will remain until November 1st and then proceed via Vancouver to the Sound to look after private lumber interests. During the winter Mr. Witkowski will return with ten or twelve persons, establishing them on the plantation. Within a year or two about 100 more will be brought out. I hope to move with my family to the islands after a time.

"We expect no returns for our money in four or five years. It will be all expense for at least that period, but we

GROSSLY SENSATIONAL.

THE PENROSE ATTACK PROPERLY CHARACTERIZED.

Letter From Professor Alexander—Somebody Wanted to Get in a Dig Under the Fifth Rib.

EDITOR STAR:—The sensational article in regard to the Rev. S. R. L. Penrose which appeared in the P. C. Advertiser Tuesday morning is grossly misleading and has given offense to his best friends. Mr. Penrose came to Honolulu at the invitation of the Central Union Church, and with the recommendation of such men as his former pastor, Rev. Walter Fear, and Dr. McLain of Oakland. He fully justified the expectations which had been formed of him, and won the hearts of the congregation.

The standing committee of the church held a meeting July 27th at which it was unanimously voted to take the preliminary steps required by their constitution to call him as a permanent pastor. At his own request the public notice was not given, and he informed officers of the church that he considered it his duty to return to his work in the State of Washington.

Unwilling to give him up, they held a meeting August 10th, at which every possible argument was used to induce him to reconsider his resolution, but in vain. It was then shown by a partial canvass of the congregation that there was remarkable unanimity in his favor. The "minority" who "dissatisfied him," exists only in the imagination of the writer of the article in question. It was not till September 12th, after the arrival of his successor, as acting pastor, that the trivial incident occurred, upon which that whole article is founded, and which seems to have called out much more discussion outside of the church than within it. It is to be feared that some uncharitable people may be tempted to think that the publication of such a statement was prompted not so much by friendship to Mr. Penrose as by an anxiety to get in a sly hit under somebody's "fifth rib."

W. D. ALEXANDER.

HAWAIIANS TURN RADICALS.

An Enthusiastic Meeting of Natives Last Night.

The Hawaiian Republican Club met at the American League hall Tuesday evening. The attendance was quite large, more than fifty members being present. The club decided upon a policy extremely radical in its nature. From the speeches one would suppose that they would countenance nothing save the present Government and that only so long as it may stand for annexation. They are opposed to any man going into office who is not a republican and an annexationist.

After preliminary business the slate published in Tuesday's STAR, with the addition of the name of Walter Wainman for the House, was read and endorsed. The list contained seven names for the Senate and five for the House. The club has agreed to support any person or persons chosen from this list by the nominating convention, which meets next Saturday. The special fight for nominations will be, however, in the interests of Cecil Brown for the Senate and D. L. Naone for the House.

Every man in this club is an Hawaiian and a radical. They say they must be radical because of the large conservative element in the outer districts with which they must contend. They center on two planks: the present Government and annexation to the United States. These will be their campaign banners as well, and their march will be joined by many more natives with like sentiments before election day.

THE DAILY COMPANY.

"The Silver King" Successfully Presented Tuesday Night.

The celebrated melodrama, "The Silver King," in five acts, was presented by the Daily Company at the Opera House Tuesday evening. Everything, except the handling of the scenery, was smooth and rhythmic throughout, and Mr. Dailey is to be congratulated upon the success of perhaps the most difficult number of his repertoire.

Mortimer Snow as the Silver King, Louis Belmont as Jakes, and Kate Dalgleish as Nellie Denver may be classed as wholly successful in the presentation. Al Hallett and Richard Scott were both fully equal to themselves, and Miss Sannary was charming and successful as Oliver Skinner. Dailey, Weiner and P. A. Naonany made very efficient and original looking toughs, so perfectly so that a policeman in the gallery kept his eyes on them throughout the performance. Thursday evening the beautiful society comedy-drama, "Jim the Penman" will be presented.

HONOKAA NOTES.

HONOKAA, Oct. 6.—The Iwaleia arrived at Kukuhiwa yesterday evening and stayed at the Gulch for the evening and reached Honokaa this 1 p. m. She will leave at about 5 o'clock this evening.

The weather continues hot and dry as usual, and the scarcity of water of last year seems to threaten the people of this district again.

The Honokaa Club is on the eve of accession; one of the members dislikes another for being a business operator and has been trying to pitch him "body and soul" out of the door of the said club.

War on the canine race has been declared and the few left are tied up for fear of "cheese and poison."

THE MODERN BEAUTY.

Thrives on good food and sunshine, with plenty of exercise in the open air. Her form glows with health and her face blooms with its beauty. If her system needs the cleansing action of a laxative remedy, she uses the gentle and pleasant liquid laxative Syrup of Figs.

The Ladies' Society will hold their regular quarterly meeting in the parlors of Central Union Church at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Hebrews in Honolulu had "a day off" to-day.

For a good show with no delay go to the Arlington Barber Shop.

An all night service of electric light may be had after Monday next.

The Government band will give a public concert at Thomas Square to-night.

The sale of the Pratt premises at Wai-kiki has been postponed to October 30th.

"Jim the Penman" is on the boards for Thursday evening at the Opera House.

Mrs. Thirls conducted an open class meeting at Theosophical hall Tuesday evening.

The Quintette Club will play during the dinner hour at the Hawaiian Hotel this evening.

Mrs. S. G. Wilder will give a dance as a compliment to Miss Helen Dickson Friday evening.

A number of social events for the next few days are being noised about among the young people.

A native has caused the arrest of George Babalaha on a charge of stealing a guitar valued at \$10.

Persons wishing office room can be accommodated in the Cartwright building at reasonable rental.

Miss Helen Dickson gave a progressive euchre party at the residence of Dr. Pratt Tuesday evening.

The sale of seats for "Charley's Aunt" will open at 9 to-morrow morning instead of at 7 as first announced.

The regular monthly church social will take place in the parlors of Central Union Church to-morrow evening.

A. M. Palmer's successful social drama, "Jim the Penman," will be to-morrow night's bill at the Opera House.

C. M. Cooke has struck a fine flow of water at his place, Beretania street. The artesian well has reached a depth of 490 feet.

Captain Andrew's fine black stallion was purchased by Mr. Willis, deputy sheriff of Kauai, the sum paid being \$500.

Prayer meeting under the auspices of the M. E. Church will be held at the Scottish Thistle Club's hall at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

The M. E. church prayer meeting will be held in the Scottish Thistle Club's hall, corner of Fort and Hotel street, every Wednesday evening.

About three miles of the grade on the Oahu railway extension has been completed. Mr. Dillingham says it is expected to reach Waiwae in January.

The ladies and children are delighted with the announcement of a matinee for Saturday when the laughable comedy "Corner Grocery" will be presented.

The San Francisco agency of the Bambley bicycle has forwarded a beautiful gold prize medal to Mr. H. G. Wooten. It will be put up at the meet, November 29th.

PERSONAL.

Samuel Parker and W. H. Cornwell went to Maui Tuesday.

Rev. O. P. Emerson left for Kauai by the Mikahala Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. F. P. Hastings, W. H. Rice and wife and Dr. Raymond were passengers for Kauai Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Reynolds left by the Mikahala Tuesday afternoon. She will take a school on Kauai.

W. E. Rowell, Superintendent of Public Works, went to Kauai Tuesday afternoon to look after repairs now being made on wharves on that island.

Band Concert.

The Hawaiian Band, under the leadership of Professor Berger, will give a public concert this evening at 7:30 o'clock, at the Thomas Square. Following is the program to be rendered:

PART I.

1. March—"Manhattan Beach".....Sofka

2. Overture—"Raymond".....Thomas

3. Fantasia—"The Princess Air".....Clarens

4. Reminiscences of Verdi.....Godfrey

PART II.

5. "Reminiscences of Offenbach".....Conradi

6. March—"The Belle of New York".....Clark

7. Waltz—"Beautiful Blue Danube".....Strauss

8. Polka—"Nuuanu Valley".....Berger

"Hawaii Pono.".....

Mr. Dias Can Not Serve.

P. A. Dias has advised H. P. Baldwin that he cannot accept the nomination to the office of Representative conferred upon him by the voters of Maui. He gives as his reason, the condition of his health during the past year and to the present time, which is exceedingly poor. Mr. Dias said to-day: "I am with the party heart and soul, but my health will not permit the strain of active politics and I feel sure the best thing for me is to remain on the outside until I become stronger."

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THE A. U. P. CONVENTION.

WILL MEET HERE NEXT SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The States and Opinions of Leading Politicians—Platform of Principles Being Prepared.

The Island Convention to nominate a legislative ticket and put forth a platform of principles will meet at the American League hall next Saturday at 2 p. m. The number of delegates to this convention are appointed among the several districts as follows:

Club No. 1 (formerly 1st district), 5 delegates; Club No. 2 (formerly 2nd district), 4 delegates; Club No. 3 (formerly 3rd district), 6 delegates; Club No. 4 (formerly 4th district), 5 delegates; Club No. 5 (formerly 5th district), 4 delegates; Club No. 6 (formerly 6th district), 2 delegates; Clubs Nos. 7a and 7b (formerly 7th district), 1 delegate each; Clubs Nos. 8a and 8b (formerly 8th district), 1 delegate each. Total, 30.

The primary election for delegates to the Island Convention was held in Honolulu last Thursday, October 4th, and in the outer districts, Saturday, Oct. 6th. The successful candidates at those elections were as follows:

Club No. 1—J. A. Kennedy, A. W. Keech, T. F. Lansing, D. L. Naone and Thomas Wright.

Club No. 2—George Smith, J. S. Martin, E. F. Bishop and John Souza.

Club No. 3—C. W. Day, W. R. Sims, Julius Asche, J. H. Fisher, Charles Crozier and H. G. Wooten.

Club No. 4—T. B. Murray, Edward Towse, John Effinger and W. P. O'Brien.

Club No. 5—John Emmeluth, D. Keliipio, D. P. Kaiana, and E. U. Winston.

Club No. 6 (Koolauloa and Koolau-poko)—Wm. Henry and Paha.

Club No. 7a (Kahuku)—W. H. G. Arnanan.

Club No. 7b (Waialua)—J. A. McCandless.

Club No. 8a (Ewa)—W. J. Lowrie.

Club No. 8b (Pearl City)—James Torbert.

Several slates have been made out, but it is believed that none so far has met with the approval of any considerable number of delegates. The Hawaiian Republican Club has prepared a list which it will recommend, and several enthusiastic politicians from the various clubs are canvassing the city in the interest of special slates.

Mr. F. A. Kennedy, president of the American Union party, is authority for the statement that no names have yet been decided upon, or will be before Saturday.

The slate prepared by the Hawaiian Republican Club and endorsed by several members of other clubs is as follows:

For Senators: P. C. Jones, Henry Waterhouse, H. W. Schmidt, J. A. McCandless, J. N. Wright, Cecil Brown, J. B. Castle.

For Representatives: D. L. Naone, L. C. Ables, C. L. Carter, Captain Clinie, Walter Wainman.

Several of the above named will doubtless receive favorable consideration at the hands of the Convention, as they have the endorsement of contrary factions, but others will likely be dropped out. Objections are freely expressed to the arrangements of the Senatorial list. At least one man is considered out of the question on account of his Asiatic labor sentiments. Another has repeatedly asserted that he would not run.

In the list for the House objectionable features are also pointed out. Some of the names will not appear in the true slate, and Mr. C. L. Carter will likely receive the endorsement of the party for the Senate. He would probably decline a nomination to the House, and, besides, his services are required by the American Union Party in the Senate.

On another slate appear the names of John Emmeluth, W. F. Allen and D. B. Smith for the Senate, besides a few of the above named.

All three of these have proved themselves the best of men during many months of faithful service to the Government and the people's service for which they did not receive a penny. John Ena and E. B. McStocker have both been spoken of, but it is understood that neither will accept nomination on account of business pressure.

Perhaps by Saturday morning a slate will be arranged which will receive the endorsement of the conservatives. Honolulu is entitled to six Senators and six Representatives.

One great duty of the Island Convention Saturday afternoon will be to put forward a platform of principles. This also is being prepared. Mr. J. A. Kennedy, speaking of the matter this morning said: "Annexation is the keynote of the situation and will be the chief plank in the platform. Every man in convention, I believe, will be in full accord with this sentiment. We purpose selecting men who are pledged to annexation, and who will work in the interest of that cause."

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MARINE NOTES.

A dull day along shore.

The yacht Hawaii is being repainted.

The steamer Hawaii arrived last night from Hamakua.

The steamer Peking is expected to-morrow with a big Oriental cargo.

Diamond Head Charlie Peterson is keeping his eye strained on the western horizon for the piratical Jap and the steam launch from Laysan Island.

The steamer W. G. Hall came from Hawaii Tuesday afternoon with a small cargo and eighty-eight cabin and deck passengers. She returns on Friday morning.

The steamer Waiakala for Makaweli and Waiakala Kama with fifty tons of coal and the steamer Pele with two hundred tons of coal for Makaweli left this afternoon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

From Maui and Hawaii, per str W G Hall, Oct 9—W. B. Rowland, E. R. Hendry, C. C. Crighton, D. B. Brumer, Mr. Bruner, B. Lennon, J. N. Walsh, Mrs. A. Lane, S. Chittose and 78 on deck.

For Kauai, per str Mikahala, Oct 9—A. Dreyer, F. Linder, Mrs. Linder, Frances Gay, Rev. O. P. Emerson, Mrs. F. P. Hastings, Miss Mabel Lackmann, E. K. Bull, Dr. Raymond, Miss Boyer, Miss Nickerson, W. H. Rice, Wm. Essie and wife, Miss B. Reynolds, Miss Conroy.

ARRIVALS.

TUESDAY, Oct. 9.

Str W G Hall, Simerson, from Maui and Hawaii.

Str W. Hawaii, Fitzgerald, from Hawaii.

DEPARTURES.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 10.

Str Pele, McAllister, for Kauai.

Str Waiakala, Smythe, for Makaweli and Waiakala.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.

Str W G Hall, Simerson, for Maui and Hawaii, Friday, Oct. 12 at 19 a. m.

IMPORTS AND CONSIGNEES.

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Ex Robert Lewers—1500 tons guano from Laysan Island.

Ex Waiakala—24 head cattle, 16 bills, 5 bags coffee and 14 pigs sundries.

Ex W G Hall—2601 bags sugar, 207 bags coffee, 88 bag a. w., 28 head cattle, 40 pigs, 1 horse, 53 hides, 6 goatskins and 80 pigs sundries.

VESSELS IN PORT.

NAVAL VESSELS.

H B M S Hyacinthe, May, Esplanade.

Br bk Omara, Brown, Newcaste.

Br bk W. H. Diamond, Nelson, San Fran.

Br bk Aloha, Dadel, San Francisco.

Br bk Oakland, McArthur, Seattle.

Br bk Australia, Hoadley, San Francisco.

FOREIGN VESSELS EXPECTED.

Bltno S G Wilder, San Francisco, Due Oct 12.

Sch Robert Lewers, Laysan Island, Oct 12.

Bltno Fluiter, Laysan Island, Oct 12.

Am bk Alice Cooke, Pt Townsend, Oct 12.

Am bk Kittita, Pt Townsend, Oct 12.

Br bk Elmore, Newcastle, Oct 20.

Br bk Carlton Forest, Newcastle, Oct 20.

Br bk Albert, San Francisco, Oct 20.

Am bk Anne Johnson, S F, Hilo, Oct 20.

Am bktn S N Castle San Fran, Oct 20.

Br bk H. Europa, Liverpool, Oct 20.

Haw bk Aloha A. B., Newcastle, Nov 18.

Am bk Farlan, Newcastle, Nov 20.